GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
SOCIAL JUSTICE AND EMPOWERMENT
LOK SABHA

STARRED QUESTION NO:194
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LOAN TO OBC WOMEN UNDER SWARNIMA SCHEME
SURESH RAMRAO JADHAV (PATIL)

Will the Minister of SOCIAL JUSTICE AND EMPOWERMENT be pleased to state:

(a) the amount of loan disbursed to OBC women under `Swarnima scheme` since its inception, alongwith number of OBC women benefited from the scheme, State-wise;

(b) the details of income generating activities undertaken by women under the scheme; and

(c) the steps taken by the Government to give benefit of this scheme to the OBC women residing in rural areas of the country?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF SOCIAL JUSTICE AND EMPOWERMENT (DR. SATYANARAYAN JATIYA)

(a) to (c) A statement is laid on the Table of the House.

STATEMENT IN REPLY TO PART (a) to (c) OF THE LOK SABHA STARRED QUESTION NO.194 FOR 26.07.2002 BY S
SURESH RAMARAO JADHAV, M.P., REGARDING LOANS TO OBC WOMEN UNDER SWARNIMA SCHEME

(a) The State-wise details of the amount of loan disbursed to OBC women under `Swarnima scheme` since inception of the scheme in January,1997 to 22.7.2002, alongwith number of OBC women benefited from the scheme, are as under:

S.No.	Name of State	Total Amount(Rupees in lakhs)	Total No. of Beneficiaries
1.	Andhra Pradesh	612.89	8883
2.	Assam	38.73	42
3.	Bihar	54.41	158
4.	Goa	4.48	5
5.	Gujarat	27.00	150
6.	Haryana	32.77	173
7	Himachal Pradesh	30.08	88
8.	Karnataka	1021.75	10900
9.	Kerala	392.37	1690
10.	Madhya Pradesh	50.00	500
11.	Sikkim	43.79	76
12.	Uttar Pradesh	126.02	297
13.	West Bengal	33.61	69
	Total:	2467.90	23031

(b) The Corporation has been providing loans to the eligible women beneficiaries through the State Channelising Agencies (SCAs) under following sectors:-

1. Agriculture & Allied Sector : Dairy, Bee-keeping, Fish buying & selling etc.

2. Small Business/Artisan & Traditional Occupation : Bangle Unit, Beauty Parlour, Basket Weaving, Grocery Shop etc.

3. Service Sector : Photocopier, STD/PCO Booth, Tailoring, Binding, Candle Manufacturing, Agarbati Making etc.

(c) The financial assistance under the scheme is meant only for OBC women living below poverty line. The SCAs have been requested to give wide publicity among the target group and organise beneficiary identification camps in the areas having concentration of backward class population in urban as well as rural areas, so that the benefits of the scheme may be available to the OBC women residing in rural areas.